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SUBJECT: VANCE SPEECH DRAFT

1. AFTER CONSULTATIONS WITH THE SECRETARY, JAPAN SECTION  
OF THE ASIA SOCIETY DRAFT SPEECH NOW READS AS FOLLOWS.  
YOUR COMMENTS, ADDRESSED TO HOLBROOKE/COLBERT, WOULD BE  
APPRECIATED ASAP.

2. QUOTE. OF OUR ALLIES AND OLD FRIENDS, NONE IS MORE  
IMPORTANT THAN JAPAN. NOR HAS ANY COUNTRY IN THE WORLD  
MADE MORE REMARKABLE STRIDES IN OUR ERA.

3. TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO, EVEN THOUGH JAPAN HAD RECOVERED  
FROM THE DEVASTATION OF WAR, ITS  
ECONOMIC ADVANCE WAS ONLY  
JUST BEGINNING. IN 1953, FOR EXAMPLE, JAPAN'S PER  
CAPITA INCOME WAS ABOUT DOLS 700 IN CURRENT PRICES. THIS  
IS LESS THAN THAT IN MANY DEVELOPING COUNTRIES TODAY.  
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4. SINCE THEN, THE SKILLS, INDUSTRY AND DISCIPLINE OF ITS  
PEOPLE, ITS SOCIAL ORGANIZATION, ITS MANAGERIAL SKILLS  
HAVE MADE IT THE WORLD'S THIRD LARGEST ECONOMY. ITS  
DEMOCRATIC INSTITUTIONS ARE FIRMLY ROOTED. NO PEOPLE  
ANYWHERE ENJOY GREATER POLITICAL FREEDOM. ITS DEDICATION

TO PEACE IS UNQUESTIONED.

5. JAPAN'S GREAT ACHIEVEMENTS HAVE BROUGHT WITH THEM CORRESPONDING RESPONSIBILITIES. IT IS NOW A GREAT POWER AND ITS ACTIONS ARE BOUND TO HAVE AN IMPACT FAR BEYOND ITS OWN BORDERS. ITS OWN GROWTH HAS BEEN AN INDISPENSIBLE INGREDIENT IN THE ECONOMIC ADVANCE OF THE LESS-DEVELOPED COUNTRIES IN THE REGION. JAPAN'S AID HAS ALSO BEEN IMPORTANT IN CONTRIBUTING TO THE WELL-BEING OF THESE COUNTRIES; WE HOPE IT CAN BE INCREASED. THE HIGH QUALITY AND VARIETY OF ITS GOODS HAVE CONTRIBUTED SUBSTANTIALLY TO THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR PEOPLE ALL OVER THE WORLD.

6. BUT JAPAN CANNOT RELY ONLY ON FOREIGN MARKETS. ITS OWN PEOPLE MUST BE ABLE TO CONSUME AN INCREASING SHARE OF WHAT THEY PRODUCE. JAPAN CANNOT BE JUST A PERVERSIVE ECONOMIC PRESENCE ABROAD. ITS OWN MARKET MUST BE INCREASINGLY OPEN TO GOODS PRODUCED IN OTHER COUNTRIES, IF JAPANESE SALES ABROAD ARE ALSO TO FLOURISH.

7. IN ALL THESE CONCERNS AND MANY OTHERS, THE UNITED STATES AND JAPAN MUST PROCEED IN CLOSE CONSULTATION. STRIVING AT ALL TIMES FOR MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING.

8. WE WILL COMBINE OUR EFFORTS WITH THOSE OF THE JAPANESE TO ACHIEVE HIGHER ECONOMIC GROWTH RATES, AND LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THUS TO STIMULATE THE ECONOMIES OF OTHER COUNTRIES.

9. WE ARE BOTH PLEDGED TO SUPPORT THE EFFORTS OF THE ASEAN COUNTRIES TOWARD REGIONAL COHESION AND DEVELOPMENT.

10. OUR AID AND OUR TRADE POLICIES WILL TAKE ACCOUNT OF THE HUMAN NEEDS OF THE PEOPLES OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN ASIA AND ELSEWHERE.

11. ABOVE ALL, WE WILL SETTLE ANY ISSUE BETWEEN US IN THE SPIRIT OF TRUE FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION STRESSED BY PRESIDENT CARTER AND PRIME MINISTER FUKUDA WHEN THEY FIRST MET IN THE OPENING WEEKS OF THIS ADMINISTRATION.  
END QUOTE.

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